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## SECRETARY WAIVER ORDER 17 - 7

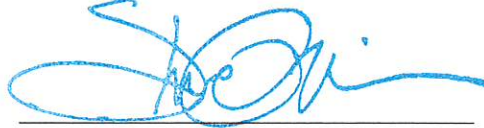
### *Debris Removal Rescission*

- WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, the Governor declared a state of emergency in Proclamation No. 111 JBE 2016; and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 32:387, the Governor has delegated the authority to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development to waive the requirements relative to the rules of permits for the purpose of disaster, emergency or emergency preparedness; and
- WHEREAS,** the August 2016 flood event caused extreme damage to personal, commercial and governmental properties that led to excessive amounts of debris along public roads; and
- WHEREAS,** due to safety risks and effects on traffic associated with debris along public roads, it was in the interest of the public to expedite debris removal throughout areas impacted by the August 2016 flood event, and
- WHEREAS,** debris removal operators may have been unable to control the weight and size of vehicle loads and attempting to comply with existing requirements may have delayed the debris removal process; and
- WHEREAS,** on August 29, 2016, Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana ordered revised guidelines be enforced for vehicles engaged in the transportation of debris from the 2016 flood event; and
- WHEREAS,** the immediate danger and threat to the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of Louisiana in the twenty parishes declared disaster areas by the Governor has dissipated and the aforementioned order is no longer necessary.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, SHAWN DAVID WILSON,** Secretary of Department of Transportation and Development, State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Debris Removal Rescission  
November 7, 2017

**SECTION 1:** The size and weight limitations modified on August 29, 2016 are hereby immediately rescinded effective November 14, 2017.



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Shawn D. Wilson, Ph.D., Secretary  
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and Development